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AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed December 2, 2002, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

In the Claims

Please add the following claims:

11. (New) The method of claim 1, wherein at least 90 percent of the coated barium titanate-based particles have a particle size less than 0.9 micrometer.

12. (New) The method of claim 1, wherein at least 90 percent of the coated barium titanate-based particles have a particle size less than 0.8 micrometer.

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